

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF VRUDHULA, *et al.*

APPLICATION NO.: 10/771,766

ART UNIT: 1624

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EXAMINER: TRUONG

FOR: IMIDAZOLYL DERIVATIVES AS CORTICOTROPIN RELEASING FACTOR  
INHIBITORS

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Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

**REPLY AND AMENDMENT**

This Reply and Amendment is a timely response to an Office Action mailed October 20, 2006, having a three month shortened statutory period for reply ending January 20, 2007. Claims 1-16, 19 and 20 are pending in the application. Claims 1-16 and 20 are rejected. Claim 19 is objected to. Applicants have amended the specification and claim 20.